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Washington, D.C. 20590

Mr. Kwang Sup Hwang
Daewoo Motor America, Inc.
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NSA-11amc
99V-090

Dear Mr. Hwang:

We have reviewed Daewoo Motor America, Inc.'s (Daewoo) Noncompliance Information Report dated April 21, 1999, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 2,929 Daewoo 1998 and 1999 Lanos 3-Door Hatchback models manufactured October 10, 1997 through March 15, 1999. The side impact door pads have been incorrectly positioned in the doors which could lead to reduced pelvic protection for the driver or front passenger in the event of a side impact accident. These vehicles fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 214, "Side Impact Protection." The assigned ID Number for this recall campaign is 99V-090 (Daewoo Recall No. RSB 001-99).

This recall was the subject of an investigation conducted by the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.

Daewoo is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership. You should know that the agency provides a listing of safety recalls to the media at the end of each month. This recall may be a part of that listing.

Quarterly Status Reports

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within 1 month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers begins. As stated in your report, owner notification was expected to begin April 27, 1999. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by July 30, 1999.

Recall Communications

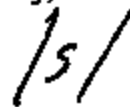
Communications pertaining to safety recalls and issued by Daewoo to more than one distributor, dealer, purchaser, or owner are to be submitted to this office within 5 days of issuance as described under 49 CFR Part 573.5(c)(9). Where this information is sent over a period time, the communications are to be submitted within 5 days from the date the communications were first sent, and furnish the date, or range of dates, each communication was issued. This includes information transmitted by computer, telefax, or other electronic means; and initial or interim communications. All copies are to be in readable form and a written transcript should be provided for each non-written communication. Also, if the communication was not nationally and uniformly distributed, then identify the criteria used for the distribution.

Manufacturer Communications

Part 573.8, "Notices, Bulletins and Other Communications," requires that every motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment manufacturer shall furnish a copy of **all notices, bulletins, and other communications (including warranty and policy extension communiques and product improvement bulletins)** to manufacturers, distributors, dealers, or purchasers, regarding any defect in its vehicle or items of equipment (including any failure or malfunction beyond normal deterioration in use, any failure of performance, or any flaw or unintended deviation from design specifications), **whether or not such defect is safety related.** These notices or communications are to be submitted, regardless of the media used to transmit the information. Where communications are made orally or electronically, provide a transcript. In all other cases, provide the information in the media form used to transmit the information. On a case by case basis, we may require written transcripts of this material as well. Copies are to be submitted monthly, not more than 5 working days after the end of each month.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,



Jonathan D. White, Chief
Recall Analysis Division
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NSA-11amc
99V-090.001

Dear Ms. Hwang:

We have reviewed Daewoo Motor Puerto Rico Inc.'s (Daewoo Puerto Rico) Noncompliance Information Report dated April 21, 1999, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 9,794 Lanos 1998 - 1999, 3-door Hatch Back, and Lanos 1998 - 1999, 4-door Notch Back model vehicles manufactured from June 16, 1997 through March 15, 1998. During the vehicle manufacturing process, engineering specifications did not specify to install the side impact pad. In a side impact collision, driver/passenger pelvic protection may be somewhat reduced. This does not comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 214, "Side Impact Protection." The assigned recall identification number for this recall is 99V-090.001 (Daewoo Puerto Rico Recall Identification Number RSB-001-99).

Daewoo Puerto Rico is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership.

Recall Communications

Communications pertaining to safety recalls and issued by Daewoo Puerto Rico to more than one distributor, dealer, purchaser, or owner are to be submitted to this office within 5 days of issuance as described under 49 CFR Part 573.5(c)(9). Where this information is sent over a period time, the communications are to be submitted within 5 days from the date the communications were first sent, and furnish the date, or range of dates, each communication was issued. This includes information transmitted by computer, telefax, or other electronic means; and initial or interim communications. All copies are to be in readable form and a written transcript should be provided for each non-written communication. Also, if the communication was not nationally and uniformly distributed, then identify the criteria used for the distribution.

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Quarterly Status Reports

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin no later than June 14, 1999. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due July 30, 1999.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

/s/

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